(c) to (e) The required information to the extent available in respect of drug items is given in the attached Statement. [See Appendix CXLII, Annexure No. 15]. All the products referred to in the question except Protinex, Pilocar 2 per cent and Ferradol fall under price decontrolled category of drugs where manufacturers are free to fix the prices. The price increase in the case of Pilocar 2 per cent has been allowed as per provisions of DPCO, 1979 due to increase in the import price of the bulk drug Pilocarpine Nitrate. The manufacturers of Protinex and Ferradol are charging prices as per orders of the Bombay High Court.

Revision of Drugs Price Control Order

268. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that price index does not reflect the correct price increase in medicines;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for the same;

(c) what is the percentage increase of prices of Benadon Tablets, Redoxan Injection, Largactil Tablets, Flexedil Injection, Stemetil Tablets, Avomine Tablets, Dulcolax Tablets, Dulution Tablets, Testoviron Injection, Prolution Injection, Eptocin Tablets; Waterbury's Compound, Lactodex, Neo-peptine, Threptin, Lynoval Tablets, Menstrogen Injection, Clearsil Ointment, Vicks Vaporub, Eskamel, Iodex, Melleril-25 Tablets, Hydergin Tablets, Aquaviron Injection from January, 1980 onward upto December 1986 alongwith the prices of each during both periods; and

(d) what was the percentage increase in price index from 1980 upto 1986 and how it compares with actual increase in prices of medicines?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) and (b) The basket of bulk drugs in the whole sale index is under review.

(c) and (d) The required information to the extent available is given in the attached statement. [See Appendix CXLII, Annexure No. 16]. The percentage increase in the whole sale price index of drugs and medicines during the period in question was 46.01 per cent.

Production and Consumption of crude Oil

269. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the corresponding progress of production and consumption of crude oil and petroleum products in the country during 1985-86 and 1986-87; and

(b) what was the quantum of oil and petroleum product imported during these years alongwith their value?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) The details are:—

(Million Tonnes)

Year	Production of crude oil	Consumption of crude oil	Consumption of petroleum products
1984-85	28 99	35 56	38 80
1985-86	30 17	42 91	40.87
% increase (over 1984-85)	4.1	20 7	5.3
1986-87	30.46	45.08	43 59
% increase (over 1985-86)	1.0	5.1	6.9